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CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS SUBMITTED BY STATES PARTIES
UNDER ARTICLE 18 OF THE CONVENTION

Second reports of the States parties

Addendum

ARGENTINA*

Comment made by the Government of Argentina
on its reservation

[Original: Spanish]

[11 May 1994]

1. The Government of the Republic of Argentina presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his note CEDAW/SP/94/001 of 15 April 1994 concerning the decisions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on the reservations to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, has the honour to communicate to him the following information, without prejudice to any additional information which he may require.

2. When it deposited its instrument of ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women on 14 August 1985, the Argentine Republic expressed the following reservation, the text of which was

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* For the initial report submitted by the Government of Argentina, see CEDAW/C/5/Add.39 and Amend.1; for its consideration by the Committee, see CEDAW/C/SR.112 and 118 and Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 38, paras. 341-396.

approved by the National Congress by Act No. 23,179: "The Argentine Government declares that it does not consider itself bound by article 29, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women".

3. It is clear that the reservation was expressed in respect of one of the final provisions of the Convention, specifically the provision relating to the peaceful settlement of disputes between States Parties. There is no question, then of limiting the commitments assumed by the Argentine Republic in respect of the object of the Convention, since the reservation does not affect the rights protected nor the means of their protection.

4. In relation to the mechanisms for the settlement of disputes provided for in treaties, the Argentine Republic has traditionally reserved the right to have recourse to an international jurisdictional forum. Consequently, it is an expression of the foreign policy of Argentina which goes beyond the scope of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.